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Jasis, Hendon awarded CCM, CCS designations

Frankfort, KY – Byron Jasis, Procedures Officer and ACA Accreditation Manager at the Kentucky State Penitentiary, recently earned his Certified Corrections Manager (CCM) designation from the Commission on Correctional Certification. Rebecca K. Hendon, one of the Department's new administrative branch managers for training, recently earned her Certified Corrections Supervisor (CCS) designation. Jasis and Hendon are the first to earn these distinguished designations in Kentucky.

Jasis is a 22-year veteran of the Kentucky Department of Corrections, the entire time span spent at KSP where he was hired as a Correctional Officer in 1982. He's worked his way up the ranks at the institution, first being promoted to Sergeant in 1990, Lieutenant in 1995 and then Administrative Specialist III in 2000.

A graduate of the Department's LEAD (Leadership, Education And Development) program, Jasis also holds an associate's degree in law enforcement. He is a member of the American Correctional Association (ACA), a past president of the Kentucky Council on Crime and Delinquency (KCCD). His awards include Employee of the Month at KSP and in 1998, a Commissioner's Award.

Jasis and his wife, Michele, reside in Crittenden County with their 17-year-old daughter, Jessica and 13-year-old son, James.

Prior to certification, applicants must qualify on the basis of their experience and accomplishments in the field of Corrections. Then they must successfully complete a comprehensive examination that tests their knowledge in the area in which they are testing. There are four certification levels, Officer, Supervisor, Manager and then ultimately, Executive. The Certified Corrections Manager (CCM) is for individuals who oversee major units or programs within a correctional setting and have supervisory authority over staff. The Certified Corrections Supervisor (CCS) is the category for those who work with both staff and offenders in a correctional setting. Those individuals should be responsible for implementing agency procedures and supervising and evaluating personnel.

Hendon was recently promoted to assist with the Department's new regional training initiative and will serve as the manager of the Western Regional Training Center located on the grounds of the Western Kentucky Correctional Complex in Lyon County.

Hendon began her career in Corrections at the Kentucky State Penitentiary as a Classification and Treatment Officer in May 1986. She was promoted to Classification and Treatment Officer Senior in May 1991, to Corrections Training Instructor/Coordinator I with the Division of Corrections Training in January 1998, and served in that capacity until her most recent promotion to branch manager on August 1.

Hendon is a 1985 graduate of Murray State University with a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice and she is a 2000 graduate of the Certified Public Managers Program. In 1991, she was named Employee of the Year at KSP and she has received two Commissioner's Awards, in 2000 and 2003. She is a member of the Fraternal Order of Police, Lake Barkley Lodge, the American Correctional Association (ACA), Certified Public Managers and National Notary Association.

She resides in Princeton with her husband Terry and their three children – Kyle Owen, a sophomore at the University of Kentucky, Kendra, a 7th grader at Crittenden County Middle School, and five-year-old Gauge. They are members of the Princeton General Baptist Church.